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Prior Application
Examiner: Nathan Ha
Art Unit: 2814

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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No. 09/135,740 filed August 18, 1998, by Miki Sasaki and Toshifumi Minami (inventor(s) currently of record in prior application) for **SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING A PROJECTED DUMMY PATTERN ON THE DICING LINE** (As Amended).

1. ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed, or a replacement specification which does not add new matter.
2. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

CALCULATION OF FEES								
ITEM		TOTAL NO. OF CLAIMS		NO. OF CLAIMS OVER BASE	LG/SM \$ ENTITY FEE	\$	AMOUNT	\$ FEE
A	TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	13	-20	0	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$	\$	
B	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE*	1	-3	0	LG=\$84 SM=\$42	\$		
C	SUBTOTAL - ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE (ADD FINAL COLUMN IN LINES A + B)							\$
D	MULTIPLE-DEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE					LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$280 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$140		\$
E	BASIC FEE					LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$740 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$370		\$ 740
F	TOTAL FILING FEE (ADD TOTALS FOR LINES C, D, AND E)							\$ 740
	*LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS 1							

3. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 50-1314. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
4. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 1,660 is enclosed.

5. ☐ Cancel in this application original claim(s) ___ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

6. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional of application Serial No. 09/135,740 filed August 18, 1998, which application is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

7a. ☐ New formal drawings are enclosed.

7b. ☒ Priority of application Serial No(s).:

Japan application Serial No. 9-234875 filed August 29, 1997,
is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

7c. ☒ The certified copies of the priority applications were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/135,740, filed August 18, 1998.

8. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to: Kabushiki Kaisha Toshiba, 72, Horikawa-Cho, Saiwai-Ku, Kawasaki-Shi, Kanagawa-Ken, Japan.

9. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is as listed on the attached copy of the declaration.

a. ☐ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

b. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

c. ☒ Address all future communications to:

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d. ☒ A new Associate Power of Attorney is enclosed.

10. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

11. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☐ Applicant no longer claims small entity status.

12. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement listing ___ references is enclosed.

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I hereby certify that

- ☒ two copies of a letter of transmittal
- ☒ check in amount of \$ 1,660 as filing fee
- ☒ patent application (27 page(s) of specification; 13 claim(s); 1 page(s) of abstract
- ☒ 11 sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☒ executed Declaration (copy) and Associate Power of Attorney
- ☐ assignment of the invention to ____
- ☐ certified copy of ____ patent application No. ____ which was filed ____ from which priority is claimed in the subject case pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 119 (copy) is enclosed
- ☒ Petition for Extension of Time (3-month)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with ____ references
- ☒ return postcard

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